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1. In late December 1952, population controls in Communist China covered former employees of the Chinese Nationalist Government, members of the Kuomintang, former members of the San Min Chu I Youth Corps, former land-owners, and other dangerous (sic) elements. All such individuals were classified "nationals" as distinct from "people" and were required to report their daily activities to local security officials with whom they were registered. Registrants were controlled for a period of five years. Discretion for extending or curtailing the period of control lay with local security police. Neighborhood checks of all dangerous elements were primarily the responsibility of local people's security groups.¹
2. Daily necessities were sold through the Consumers' Cooperative Societies organized on three levels: municipality, branch, and district. Membership was obtained through donation of ten catties of millet in return for a membership certificate which had to be shown when the owner made purchases.
3. In each district, buildings were set aside to provide professional training, reading classes, and libraries for the people. Motion pictures, stage plays, and picture exhibitions, especially selected to depict daily news events, were shown in these buildings.

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1. [REDACTED] Comment. By organizing local people's security groups, which secretly conducted investigations for local security police, the Chinese Communists gave the outward appearance of enforcing fewer population controls, according to [REDACTED]

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